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For: UTILISATION OF A WARP KNITTING)
MACHINE FOR THE MANUFACTURING OF)
OPEN OR CLOSED TUBES FOR)
PROTECTING CABLES, CONDUITS AND)
THE LIKE, AND PROTECTING TUBE)
MANUFACTURED WITH SAID MACHINE)

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56 and 1.97(b), applicants bring to the Examiner's attention the document listed on attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the document is attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the document listed on attached Form PTO-1449 and indicate that it was considered by making an appropriate notation on this form.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the above-referenced application.

The following is listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 and is in a non-English language:

1. ES 2 120 854 - The relevance of this document is discussed at page two of the specification of the present application.

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